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BEAUTY ON PARADISE ISLAND In the Bahamas, Bianca Manalo, Miss Philippines 2009, strikes a winning pose during the Miss Universe pageant. The winner will be crowned on Aug. 23.

'Tie A Yellow Ribbon' song a YouTube hit

By Jonas Cabiles Soltes
Inquirer Southern Luzon

TALK ABOUT DOING [illegible]

A [illegible] of the song, "Tie A Yellow

TIE A YELLOW A10



GMA does not feel threatened–Palace

But analysts say Cory's death spells trouble

By Tonette Orejas
Inquirer Central Luzon

SASMUAN, PAMPANGA—President Macapagal-Arroyo did not feel threatened by the multitudes of people who had gathered for the burial of former President Corazon Aquino on Wednesday, a Malacañang official said here on Thursday.

Analysts, however, say the resurgence of the "people power" movement after the death of Aquino has damaged her political foe, Ms Arroyo.

"We have nothing to be threatened [about]," said the President's deputy spokesperson, Lorelei Fajardo. "We're happy to see that our people have shown their support and love for our nation again and that's a good sign."

Fajardo also said the military did not foresee any threat to the Arroyo administration.

Amid showers of yellow confetti, hundreds of thousands of people lined up the streets to witness Aquino's funeral procession from Manila Cathedral to Manila Memorial Park in Parañaque City. Many wore yellow "Cory" T-shirts and flashed the "Laban" (Fight) sign in a scene reminiscent of the burial of her husband, ex-Sen. Benigno "Ninoy" Aquino Jr., in 1983.

GMA A8



ARTIST'S sketch of a proposed ₱500 bill bears the images of the martyred Ninoy Aquino and his wife, President Cory Aquino.

BSP backs Cory-Ninoy ₱500 bill

By Michelle V. Remo, Christine O. Avendaño and Leila B. Salaverria

THE BANGKO SENTRAL NG Pilipinas (BSP) is backing the proposal to have the ₱500 bill also bear a portrait of the late Corazon "Cory" Aquino.

The current ₱500 bill carries the portrait of the late Sen. Benigno "Ninoy" Aquino Jr., the husband of the former President, whose passing on Aug. 1 continues to be mourned nationwide.

The suggestion to include Cory Aquino's portrait on the ₱500 bill was made to BSP Governor Amando Tetangco Jr. by former Energy Secretary Vince Perez, according to an earlier report.

Yesterday, Tetangco told reporters that he had "asked the numismatic committee to consider the proposal to put

BSP A10



THE YELLOW MULTITUDES ARE GONE. But many others came to light candles, write letters and pray at the tomb of former President Cory Aquino whose remains were laid to rest on Wednesday night after being borne on a flatbed truck from Manila Cathedral to Manila Memorial Park. The final journey took all of eight hours. Hundreds of thousands had turned out into the streets to say goodbye and thanks to "Tita Cory."

Kris, Noynoy force to reckon with in politics

By Leila B. Salaverria and Marisol Cruz

WHEN KRIS AQUINO AND HER BROTHER Sen. Benigno "Noynoy" Aquino III take up where their parents left off, they could be a force to reckon, according to a lawmaker.

The way former President Corazon Aquino's children comported themselves after her death, coupled with the overwhelming outpouring of affection and gratitude for her, boosted the family's political stock, Parañaque Rep. Roilo Golez said yesterday.

The Aquino children are also the logical heir to the legacy that the former President left behind.

"The bigger question now is who would be the heir to the Cory legacy. Of course, the first claimants to that are those who

KRIS, NOYNOY A8

Noynoy not keen on idea of Kris entering politics

By Julie M. Aurelio

SEN. BENIGNO "NOYNOY" AQUINO III prefers that his youngest sister, actress and TV host Kris Aquino, not enter politics.

"I would rather spare her from politics if possible," the senator told reporters before a novena Mass in Barangay West Triangle yesterday evening for his late mother, former President Corazon Aquino.

The family has not yet discussed Kris'

NOYNOY A8

Row over Nat'l Artists rages; boycott talk up

By Alcuin Papa and TJ Burgonio

THE TEMPEST OVER THE NEW SET OF National Artists continues to rage, with past awardees calling on Malacañang to withdraw its proclamation of two people in this year's crop.

In a press conference at the UP Film Center yesterday morning, National Artists for Literature Virgilio Almario and Bienvenido Lumbera said the names of Cecile Guidote Alvarez and Carlo J. Caparas should be stricken off the list of the 2009 National Artists, and that the selection process should be kept free of politics.

Almario and Lumbera also said they

ROW OVER A15

Endless stream of people coming to visit Cory tomb

By Nina Catherine Calleja and Julie M. Aurelio

THEY CAME IN AN ENDLESS stream from almost everywhere, in cars, jeepneys and tricycles. One man came in crutches. Some came with flowers, others with candles. All came with prayers.

Most prayed for former President Corazon Aquino's eternal repose. One elderly woman prayed for her intercession.

"Please tell God to heal all of our country's problems," the unidentified woman said.

A day after she was buried in a stirring funeral joined by hundreds of thousands of people, Aquino's grave site at Manila Memorial Park in Parañaque drew numerous visitors from Metro Manila and the provinces.

"Tita Cory's humility even in death always amazes us and so we love her even more," Muslim businesswoman Ugaya Cabanal told the Inquirer, struck by the simplicity of the cement

ENDLESS A11



SWEEPING VIEW OF HISTORY Workers at a warehouse in Parañaque climb up to its roof the better to see the Cory funeral procession on Wednesday. They flash Cory's signature "Laban" sign that signifies that the fight goes on.

Outstanding Cory guards reap honors

By Jocelyn R. Uy and Marlon Ramos

WIGGLING THEIR TOES and clenching their fists, plus the cooling relief of the salty-sweet rain, helped them endure almost nine hours standing at attention on the slow-moving, flower-decked truck that bore the casket of former President Corazon Aquino.

OUTSTANDING A11

Second FRONTPAGE

GMA blinks, names new SC justice

By Christian V. Esguerra

MALACAÑANG HAS BLINKED AND APPOINTED a new Supreme Court justice despite its earlier insistence that the Judicial and Bar Council (JBC) resubmit an expanded list of nominees for the two vacancies on the bench.



DEL CASTILLO

Warning of crisis

No pressure

Important to have 15

Farmers seek ban on aerial spraying

By Leila B. Salaverria

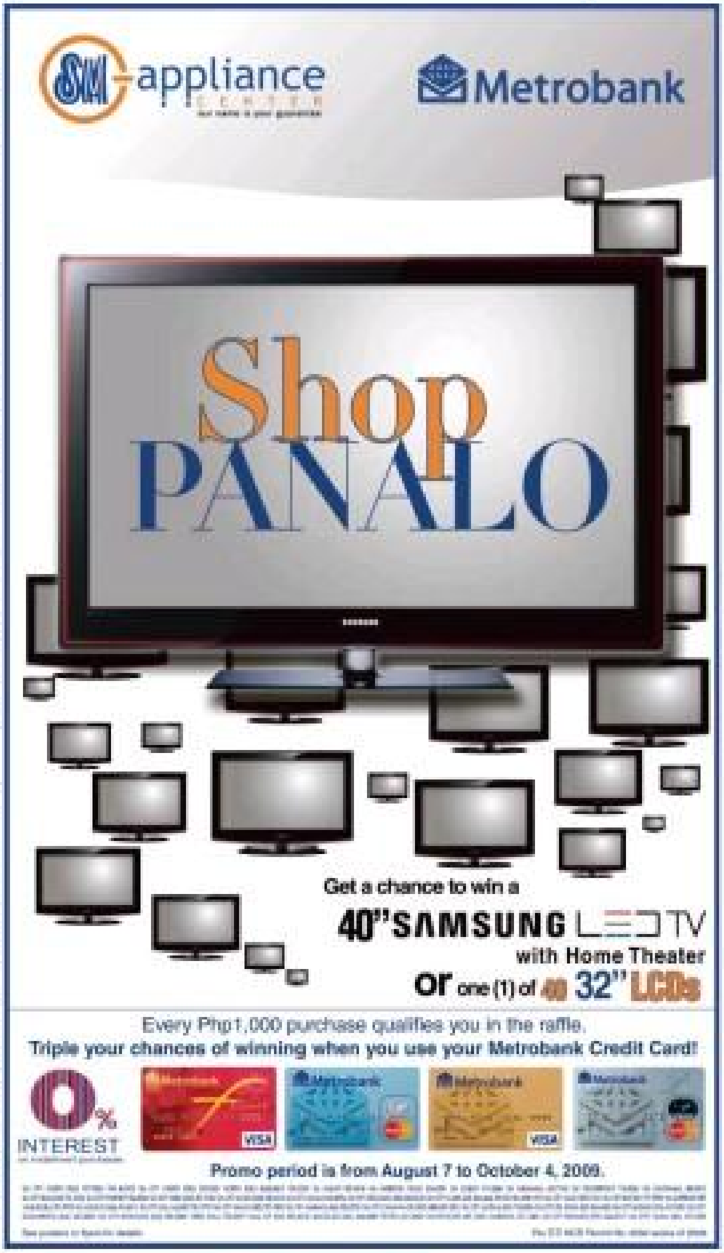
A FARMERS' GROUP FROM MINdanao yesterday called on President Macapagal-Arroyo to issue an executive order that would ban aerial spraying in banana plantations, saying this was harmful to residents living near those areas.

Residents' complaints

HEAVY PRICE OF PRESS FREEDOM

Act on journalist murders, Unesco urges RP

By Cynthia D. Balana



Only 2 of 10 RP victims of Afghan crash identified



NPA SUSPECT/ABDUCTION VICTIM

‘Maita,’ not Melissa, was real target



MELISSA ROXAS

Writ of amparo

Not the one in video

Cory fever may force Con-ass backers to back off

By Leila B. Salaverria

6 Filipinos win UK Chevening scholarships

Highly sought

Cynthia D. Balana

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5 MORE YEARS

KA DADONG'S LEGACY GOES ON

Forty-six years ago, President Diosdado Macapagal fiercely pressed for the ratification of Republic Act 3844, now known as the Agrarian Reform Code in the face of an apathetic, landlord-dominated Congress.

"Ka Dadong", a son of a farmer, was taking the cudgels for the landless peasants.



On August 8, 1963, he signed RA 3844 into a law. Such gain was, however, negated by Congress which didn't allot funds for the mandatory measure.

It took over two more decades and the spirit of People Power to finally pursue the vision of Ka Dadong, when the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP) was created in June 1988.

Today, with symbolic significance, Her Excellency, President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo also signs into law the consolidated Senate Bill No. 2666 and House Bill No. 4077, which extend to five years the implementation of the CARP.

CARP's land distribution program supposedly ended last year. As the call for its extension was repeatedly challenged by some sectors, enlightened citizens led by the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Agrarian Reform Code in the face of an apathetic, landlord-dominated Congress. = Philippines (CBCP) stood up to defend the program from those who attempted to block the full liberation of the farmers from the bondage of the soil.

Hence, with today's signing of the Plaw, the President, like a dutiful daughter, now takes on the task of continuing the legacy of her father, steering new hope to those who till the land.

"My father emancipated the farmers, let us now emancipate the titles," she declared in her recent state of the nation address.

"The new law evokes the administration's resolve to consolidate, continue and complete the promise of agrarian reform. The reform measures incorporated in the law are meant to weather the challenges of sustaining the gains of agrarian reform and ensuring rural progress" Agrarian Reform Secretary Nasser C. Pangandaman said.

Sustaining the Gains of CARP

Since the CARP started, 4.3 M farmers were able to own 7.2 M hectares of the lands, the highest land transfer recorded in the history of agrarian reform worldwide. Of these, the Department of Agrarian Reform awarded 4.106 M hectares to 2.4 M farmer-beneficiaries while the rest, consisting of upland and ancestral domains were distributed by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources. Likewise, some 1.7 M hectares were placed under leasehold arrangement with 1.2 M tenant farmers.

As the leading agency to implement agrarian reform, the DAR is ready to put up an enduring edifice through the distribution of the remaining 1.06 M hectares of agricultural lands to landless farmers.

But as the President repeatedly proclaimed, agrarian reform is not just parceling out lands. It means just as importantly as providing the means to make it productive.

In the next five years, a number of support services will be provided to the farmers to scale up economic activities in distant provinces, such as electricity through solar power, roads and bridges, post-harvest facilities, microfinance, healthcare, modern farming technology and free education to farmers' children through the President Diosdado Macapagal Agrarian Scholarship Program.



Agrarian reform is the government's contribution to encourage the transformation of the country's rural communities.

With CARP's array of development programs, Ka Dadong's vision, as the country's ... surely did not come to naught.



GMA to sign CARP extension in historic town

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CamSur to share secrets of success

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The Daily Gospel

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Noynoy not keen on idea of Kris entering politics



THE DAY CORY DIED The task of telling the world fell on her only son, Sen. Noynoy Aquino, on Aug. 1 at Makati Medical Center. Later in the day at the Cojuangco building, he had to face the media to brief them about the family's funeral arrangements.

Kris, Noynoy force to reckon with in politics

Noynoy for vice president

Influence

Not a career politics



THE DAY AFTER THOUSANDS CHEERED CORY



FOUR AT THE FUNERAL

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Zonta donates P2.4M for Pasig River homes

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GMA back in Pampanga again, announces ₱500M for repair of schools



GMA does not feel threatened–Palace



THE HOUSE WHERE CORY LIVED

Outpouring of grief

Raising bar vs plots

Cory magic

No reason to fight gov't

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High time

Smooth sailing, but...

Saint of People Power

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Villegas right: Subic a lesson to learn

2 world bodies honor Cory

By Cynthia D. Balana

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Aso et al.

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Outstanding Cory guards reap honors



HONOR GUARD HONORED

No simple duty

Feet 'nailed' to truck

Still looking snappy

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Honors committee

'Politics'

'Why me?'

Collective awardees

'Personal attack'

Nothing personal

Across the NATION

Assistant Editor Tony Bergonia

Recount vs Among Ed starts rolling

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO—The Commission on Elections yesterday began transferring the 4,688 ballot boxes in Pampanga's 20 towns and this capital city in preparation for the recount of votes cast in the gubernatorial race in May 2007.

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PAMPANGA Gov. Eddie Panlilio takes time off from his provincial duties and an election case to visit the wake of former President Aquino at the De La Salle University campus in Greenhills, San Juan.

Order from Manila

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Strength in numbers

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Close fight

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Unusual speed

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Cebu activist seeks amparo vs Army spying, harassment

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2008 Baguio law making city smoke free in effect

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SMOKE-FREE assembly plants in Baguio City [illegible]

20 poets gather Aug. 8 to choose their 'king'

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HOMETOWN Snapshots

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NEWSBRIEFS

SAN PEDRO, Laguna

7 dead in road crash

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SAN RAFAEL, Bulacan

3 in robbery slain

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SPORTS

Tamaraws too much for Tigers; Warriors top Maroons

By Jasmine W. Payo

Pinoys seek crucial win over Japan

By Musong R. Castillo



RP five shows no mercy, rips S. Lanka by 84

By Musong R. Castillo

TNT boosts frontline with Belasco

By Cedelf P. Tupas

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Bayron grabs Indonesia lead

88-plus fights in Pasay derby

Bombers try to bounce back vs Blazers

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THE NATIONAL Bayani always floors it... of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at the Libingan ng mga Bayani... Manila North Cemetery.

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6 truckloads of trash left by Cory mourners

By Tina G. Santos

MANILA CITY HALL WORKERS were kept busy on Wednesday afternoon, cleaning up the mounds of trash left behind by the hundreds of people who came to say goodbye to former President Corazon Aquino.

The garbage, consisting mostly of food and drink containers, were strewn through-out the route of the funeral procession, Carlos Baltazar, chief of the city's Department of Public Services, said.

He added that they hauled off at least six truckloads of trash, most of which were collected in the vicinity of Manila Cathedral in Intramuros and on Roxas Boulevard, Quirino Avenue and Osmeña Highway.

Apart from plastic bottles, food wrappers and styrofoam containers, the workers also cleaned the roads of yellow rib-bons, confetti and posters which were used by the mourners to pay tribute to Aquino.

"The workers started cleaning the streets, particularly around the church, about an hour after the funeral cortege left the church before noon," he

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A DAY after the burial of former President Corazon Aquino, mourners continue to place flowers, light candles and put other tokens of respect in front of the Aquino house on Times Street, Quezon City.

'Kiko' suspends classes in Camanava

By Beverly T. Natividad

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QC gov't says MMDA owes P6M in rent

By Julie M. Aurelio

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'Joint utilization'

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'RATATTACK' ACTIVITY

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6 truckloads of trash left by Cory mourners

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Korean man arrested after employee files rape charge

By Nancy C. Carvajal

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Be careful when it rains, cops advise QC traders

By Nancy C. Carvajal

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MetroBriefs

2 cops invited for questioning on call centers' slay case

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'Silver café' lecture series set

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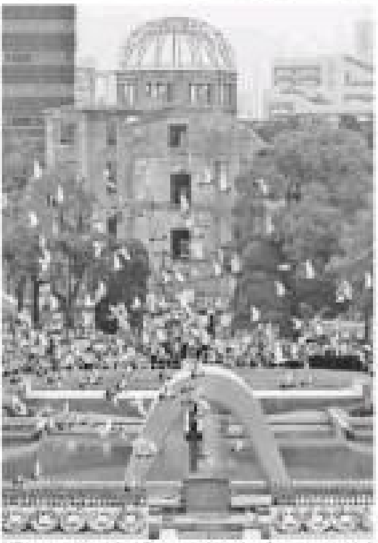
Cornelia D. Legaspi; 88

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Death penalty for 3 Indians in 2003 Mumbai bomb attack



Malaysian draws 5 years for forcing wife to have sex



Hiroshima seeks world free of nukes by 2020 on bomb anniversary

Latin American leftist leaders assail US troop plan

US gym killer blogged his own massacre

Taliban brainwashed Pakistan teenage 'suicide bombers'

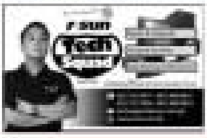
The WORLD

Tearful reunion as Clinton mission raises N. Korea hopes



US to overhaul detention policy for immigrants

THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION INTENDS TO announce an ambitious plan on Thursday to overhaul the much-criticized way the nation detains immigration violators, trying to transform it from a patchwork of jail and prison cells to what its new chief called a "truly civil detention system."



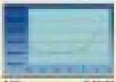
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SMC honcho dispels claims of another boardroom showdown

SAN MIGUEL CORP. PRESIDENT RAMON S. ANG may acquire the Social Security System's 22-percent stake in the country's largest publicly listed mineral firm, Philex Mining Corp., to complement his existing mining interests.

RP bank deposits up 14.8% in May

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Cory experience

Corporate Securities Info

Raul J. Palabrica

THE DEATH OF FORMER PRESIDENT Cory Aquino and the overwhelming expression of public sympathy have brought back memories of the 1986 People Power revolution.

Many of those whose lives were touched by the "icon of Philippine democracy" have written or talked about their experiences with her in the print media and the Internet's social network websites.

With the indulgence of the readers, I'll skip the standard subject matter of this column and write about what I consider my closest "encounter" with the woman fondly called Tita Cory.

In November 1989, I attended a one-week seminar in New York City, under the auspices of a multinational bank, on then-emerging financial instruments called derivatives.

At that time, the business world was enamored with "global depositary receipts" or instruments that allowed foreign investors to invest in the stocks of companies in countries that had strict nationality rules.

The GDRs, as they were called, assured the payment of income to their holders based on the earnings of the "nationalized" shares without showing that they had ownership rights over those shares.

The principle behind the GDRs was later applied to credit default swaps, collateralized debt obligations and other forms of derivatives that have been blamed for the present global financial crisis.

Presentation

The seminar was a mix of representatives from 33 countries where the sponsoring bank had branches.

The discussions included briefings on the state of the economy of those countries and their rules on cross-border financial transactions.

The presentation on the Philippines was scheduled for the afternoon of Nov. 30, 1989, or early morning of Dec. 1 in our country.

Before the start of the briefing, copies of an article that appeared on that day's issue of The Financial Times, an influential business newspaper in Europe, were distributed to the participants.

The article, which summarized an interview of President Aquino, carried her photo and the headline "I am politically secure."

By way of introduction, the article recounted the dramatic way the Marcoses were kicked out of power with minimum bloodshed and violence.

This portion caught the attention of some of the participants. They asked me about the events at Edsa which I answered with pride.

I recall a delegate from a South American country saying that if a similar standoff happened in his country, the civilians will be mercilessly gunned down.

Coup attempt

The rest of the presentation went on without a hitch. The bank representative who conducted the briefing gave glowing remarks about our economy and its prospects for growth.

I left the seminar room that afternoon in high spirits. I felt good hearing that the Philippines had good political and economic fundamentals.

My elation proved to be short-lived. When I got back to my hotel and turned on the TV, there was breaking news from CNN about the takeover of the Makati business district by a group of rebel soldiers.

All the major US stations that night carried reports about the Dec. 1 coup attempt. There were footages of the buildings at Ayala Avenue with heavily armed soldiers posted in strategic locations.

Close to midnight, Aquino was shown on TV denouncing the coup attempt and vowing to crush the rebellion with all the government resources available.

The next morning, the event was front-page news at the New York Times, with a photo of gruff-looking soldiers who had bullet bandoliers around their bodies standing on top of an armored personnel carrier.

As I practically stayed awake all night to watch television for any developments, I did not feel like going to the seminar the following morning.

Disappointment

I saw no point in listening to the discussion when my mind was on the things happening in our country. After much thought, however, I decided to attend the seminar.

When I stepped into the room, all eyes were focused on me. Nobody said anything but I knew they were aware of the critical situation in our country at that time.

From the look of their faces, I could sense their silent question: What's happening to your country?

To add to my agony, the article of The Financial Times on Aquino was still posted at the bulletin board. Its headline—I am politically secure—stood out like a sore thumb.

Mercifully, while coffee was being served, the secretarial staff removed the clipping and replaced it with the schedule for the day.

The participants were polite enough not to talk to me about the coup attempt during the breaks. It was all business the rest of the day.

Texting was not yet in vogue at that time so I had no way of knowing how the events in Makati were unfolding.

When the activities that day were about to end, the moderator asked if there was anything I can say about the military rebellion. I simply said the event came to me as a complete surprise.

The participants nodded and said nothing. No doubt, they felt my discomfort.

At that moment, I wanted to disappear into thin air. I literally had to drag my feet on my way back to the hotel.

(For feedback, please write to rrpalabrica@inquirer.com.ph.)





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It's fun—but not easy—to be a personal shopper

How they get addicted to this novel profession

By Charles V. Moral

FOR THE SECOND TIME in her life, it was boredom that drove Susan Gedd Gaspar to the world of retail.

"In the '80s, my husband was assigned in Cebu and I got bored again," she says. "I'm not the type who likes to play mahjong [all day], which my friends did. I was hired as merchandise coordinator for all ladies' 'RTW' in Rustan's Cebu."

When the family returned to Manila after two years, she settled into her role as full-time housewife—until four years ago, when the monotony of keeping house for mostly absent sons kicked in.

An empty home with two adult sons, age 33 and 29, who live with her but both of whom she rarely sees, she was bent on

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FERNANDO Zobel de Ayala, chairman of Ayala Land Inc. and co-vice chairman of Ayala Foundation Inc.; Vicky Garchitorena, president of Ayala Foundation Inc.; Bernadette Nacario, country general manager for personal systems group, HP Philippines; Carol E. Alexander, consultant for Gawad Kalinga; and Sanjiv S. Chabli, senior vice president for global marketing, personal systems group, Hewlett-Packard

Technology firm launches 'My Backyard' green program

WITHOUT BATTING AN EYELASH

Maurice Arcache



Photos by Allen Van Hagen using YKL Photo Solutions

WITH ITS STRONG commitment to "environmental sustainability," Hewlett-Packard ushered in another dynamic initiative "to help the country's youth build a greener and more sustainable tomorrow." Invitees at the launch of HP's "My Backyard" had a great time at the Ayala Museum's reception area.

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World of Wine II

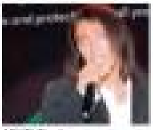
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Billy Rock in Mandaluyong

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Jazz night at Moro

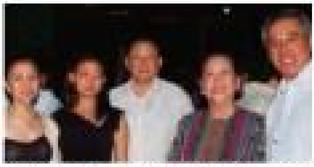
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ARNEL Pineda



JD "POCH" Estrella of Goldmann Tech Services of Santa Clara, California, and Nikki Bernardino organized the HP event.



JD "POCH" Estrella, Tina Garcia, Danielle Garcia, Bob Garcia, Charito Estrella and Pipo Libero



MARGARITA Fores, [illegible], Carol Cruz and Carol Alexander



JOANNE Tan, Luigi Estrella, Ricky Alfonso and Bunny Pineda



LETTY Ruiz, [illegible], Maria Bernardino, [illegible] and Bernice Bernardino-Ocampo



TALENTED chef Stephanie Zubiri and sweet host and organizer Edda Joyce Garcia



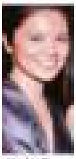
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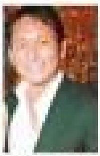
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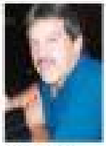
ALL TOGETHER for Billy: [illegible]



DARLENE [illegible] and ballet dancer [illegible]



THE BAND: [illegible] on saxophone; [illegible], keyboard; and [illegible], percussion



LOUIE Marcos



DESIGNER [illegible], stylish sisters [illegible] and Kim Yap



MODELS [illegible], Joseph Marco and [illegible]



MALOU [illegible] and [illegible]

It's fun—but not easy . . .







Easy choice

Loyal clients

Judgment

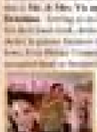


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LIVING Stars

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BOOKS

I JUST FINISHED "TRADING UP" BY CANDACE BUSHNELL, the author of "Sex and the City," about socialites in New York City. It's fun, perky and straight to the point. I've started reading "The Pilot's Wife" by Anita Shreve, about a woman whose husband dies in a plane crash. I was a book worm and became a magazine reader. Now I'm back to novels. *Reynaldo San Diego Jr.*



LOVI Poe's favorite Ed Hardy shirt

The rewards of being Lovi

By Marinel R. Cruz
Photos by Jim Boice Poncardas

"I DON'T SHOP A LOT," SAYS ACTRESS Lovi Poe. "I only buy stuff when I think I have to reward myself."

The daughter of the late Fernando Poe Jr. adds in jest that she won't exchange her car for a branded bag, although she swears she knows someone who does.

The 20-year-old Lourdes Virginia Moran Poe claims she only spends on things that are useful and functional.

"Instead of going to the parlor every time I need to be made up, I bought a really good book on how to apply makeup and studied it," Lovi, one of the youth-oriented program "Upgrade" every Saturday before "Who Wants To Be A Millionaire" on TV5, tells Living Stars. "I find it practical to do my own makeup, especially when I'm running late and don't have time to wait for a makeup artist."

Shoes

I call this pair of shoes my to-the-rescue shoes. It goes well with any outfit and occasion.

I use this pair of Tory Burch flats a lot, too. It's not the usual Tory Burch you see in malls. When you buy flats, you have to choose some

THE REWARDS B4



ELLA GUEVARRA

THERE ARE VALUABLE LESSONS IN "Bong Adama" by Robert Alonzo. It teaches kids to help the elderly. Even if you have very little food, you should share it with others. You could be saving another person's life. Apart from the lessons, the book is also entertaining and the drawings (by Jordan Santos) are beautiful. The Bong Adama is colorful. It really makes your imagination work. *Reynaldo San Diego Jr.*

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Tail Tales

DINO IMPERIAL

I NAMED MY SHIH TZU Hillary after Hillary Clinton. I have another Shih Tzu named Obama, after Barack Obama, but he stays with my parents in Pampanga. Hillary is almost a year old. She's very quiet. I get jealous because she's closer to my yaya than to me. Hillary can also be sweet. If you pick her up, she just sits silently on your lap. She's also smart. She's toilet-trained and only poops on newspapers we leave for her. We don't feed her regular food, only dog chow because we don't want her to get spoiled. Dog food makes her fur fluffier, too.



Stars for Others



US POP star Madonna with adopted Malawian son David Banda

Madonna's spiritual awakening

JERUSALEM—After a long career as a singer, dancer, new-age seeker and Kabbalah student, Madonna added a new entry to her résumé Friday—Israeli newspaper correspondent.

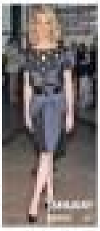
An article in Friday's edition of Israel's biggest daily, Yediot Ahronot, bears the Material Girl's byline. It describes her spiritual awakening upon discovering Jewish mysticism, Kabbalah, after which, she writes, "all the puzzle pieces started falling into place."

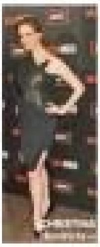
Madonna is bringing her Sticky & Sweet tour to Israel in September, which explains the timing of her journalism debut here. AP

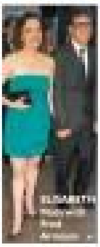


Red Carpet

'Mad Men' season 3 preem, LA

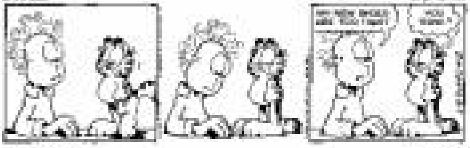




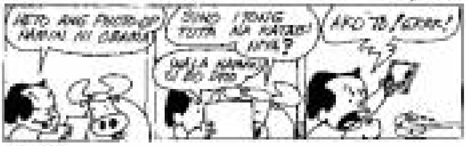




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JAMES BOND



DIVINE COMEDY



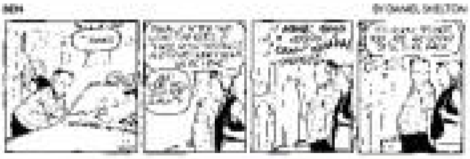
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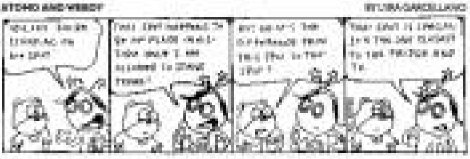
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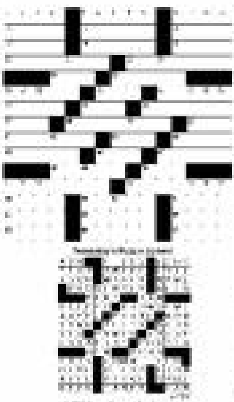


KIKO MACHINE



HOROSCOPE

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



CONCEPTIS SU DOKU

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HOW TO PLAY SU DOKU

Answer to previous puzzle

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The rewards of being Lovi



THE BEACH with ... Coral ... Chill

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thing simple but elegant so you can use it with a lot of outfits.

Bags

My Kate Spade bag is a favorite because it's very casual but classy. I match it with a mini top and jeans. It was a gift from a very special friend.

My favorite Louis Vuitton bag is small but can carry a lot of stuff.

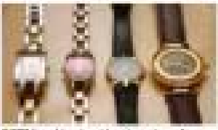
Accessories

I used to just like diamond earrings. Now, I'm more into the Bohemian style. I like wearing something colorful like the pair of turquoise earrings from Aldo or the stuff I bought from jeweler Glenda Barretto.

I want to be different. These watches (shown above from Fendi, Gucci, Tissot and Pierre Cardin are not the stuff you'd see girls my age wear. Pieces like this will last. It's OK if you buy something practical, too. That's why most of these are just brand watches from stores.



"Will your own makeup," Lovi advises.



GIFTS from friends and fans are shown from ... Fendi, Gucci, Tissot and Pierre Cardin watches.



TANK tops from Topshop

Tops

My Ed Hardy Tshirts are gifts from a friend who recently arrived from the States.

The tank dresses from Topshop are very easy. I have them in violet, peach, pink, blue, white and black.

Scents

I'm currently using Echo Femme by Lanvin. It's always nice to put on something elegant. Not everybody likes the fruity scent.

Cosmetics

I like eye shadow from Body Shop, powder foundation and eyebrow pencils from Mac. Henry Galang, my stylist, sells his own stuff. They're affordable and good for the day. Always use your own brushes, lipsticks and makeup.

Eyewear

I love my aviator shades from Ray-Ban because it's not too girly. It's actually made for guys. When you buy sunglasses, always try them on to make sure they match the shape of your face.

I bought this brand with (from Dolce & Gabbana) two years ago. I only get to wear it when I went to Boracay (with my second boyfriend) to Bicolandia and Baclaudig last Holy Week.

My mom bought me this red ... shoes. I've worn this a lot of times on TV. She knows what I like.

Bottoms

I like Levi's Jeans. They have perfect fit. I got them from the friend who gave me the Ed Hardy shirts. He actually gave me a lot of stuff. The pair of 7 (For All Mankind) Jeans is from him, too. One time, he said "Lovi, can you try this on? I have to check if it looks nice on girls." It was a pair of what you call boyfriend jeans. When he saw that it looked well on me, he said, "It's yours."

I like short shorts because I can wear them with anything. I put them on, especially when I can't think of anything else to wear.

Email: ...@inquirer.com.ph



HER favorite LV bag



ONLY colorful earrings for Lovi



LOVI has a Tori Burch pair that one doesn't usually see in the malls.

ENTERTAINMENT





A toast to Meryl Streep



'I never had to decide what to be when I grew up because I got to be all sorts of things'

ONLY IN HOLLYWOOD



Ruben V. Nepales

Meryl Streep Live

Little princess



A toast to Meryl Streep

cake that was this high—very light, and layers of fresh cream and berries because I love them—strawberries, raspberries, blackberries and blueberries. It was gorgeous."

It was refreshing to hear Meryl admit her insecurities when she was a new actress: "I was beset by the same anxieties that all young actresses have. Is my nose too long? Am I too fat? Am I benign socially? But after a time you get worn down (laughter). And you are what you are."

Master class

We wondered how many would sign up if she gave a master class. But she confessed, "Teaching might be fun, but I wouldn't know how to go about it. It would just be fun to be in a room with young actors and see what they do. I don't really have a method of work that I call on regularly (laughter). But I do have acting classes with kids, very occasionally."

She added, "I really think that great teachers are a breed by themselves. Sometimes the greatest music teacher is not the [illegible] of the maestro. Teaching [requires] a different muscle. It involves listening, above all, like acting does, and really tuning in to what you see of someone's attempt, what they're trying to achieve. To be able to see that, not just the outward form of what looks good and what doesn't look good, but just to see what they're [going] for. To feed it back to them, like a good shrink, is what an acting teacher also do. But I don't have a book coming out on the 10 things you have to do to be a great actor or anything."

Beauty secrets

When a female colleague asked Meryl to share her beauty secrets, she smiled graciously and said, in the sweetest voice: "I love you for even thinking that I have beauty secrets (laughter). Eight full hours of sleep. On the days that I get it, I'm really happy. Sleep is very important. I could tell you all the things I've read in the magazines but there isn't anything that I adhere to on a consistent basis. Certainly not exercise (laughter)."

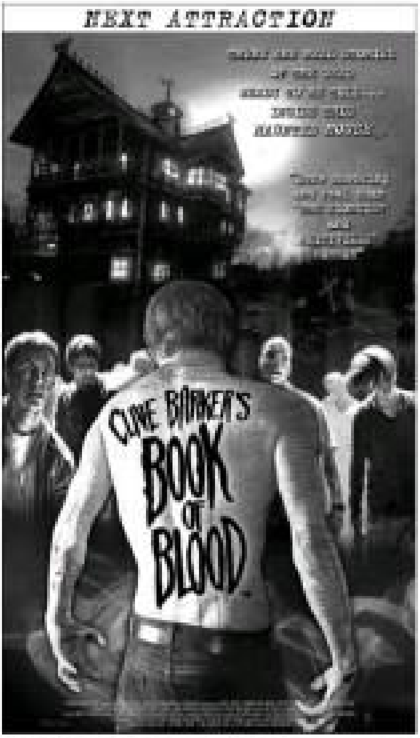
From time to time, there is justice in this world. Meryl's box-office sparks, thanks to the success of "The Devil Wears Prada" and "Mamma Mia".

"I feel much more confident about my acting skills than my cooking skills (laughter)," she quipped. Besides, she has been making one movie after another that she hasn't had much time to linger in the kitchen in the past few years.

"In the last five years, I haven't really done a lot of cooking because I've been working on one thing after another," she said. "I finished 'Doubt' two weeks before this film (Julie & Julia) started shooting."

With a sigh that could win her yet another acting trophy, she declared, "My dream now is [to have] more time with the people that I love."

E-mail the columnist at [illegible] or read his blog, "The Aspidan Papers," on http://blogs.inquirer.net/aspidanpapers







State of independence

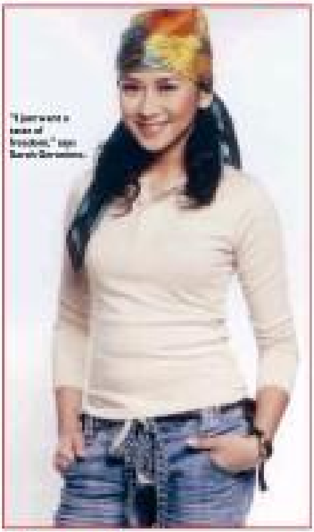
It is not enough that we have harvested an impressive crop; now we should bring these films to the largest audiences possible via more screenings

By Jose Javier Reyes

(Last of 2 parts)



Getting real



"I just want a sense of freedom," says Sarah Geronimo.

Sarah grows up

But she's not ready to rebel, or even change her image just yet

Too strict!

Lovable Lloyd